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## GREAT STRIKE OF MACHINISTS IS ON

Many Employers Ac-  
cede to Demands of  
the Men.

FIFTY THOUSAND LABORERS OUT

EVIDENT THAT DEMANDS FOR  
NINE HOUR DAY WILL BE  
MET.

Nearly Six Thousand Men Join the  
Ranks of the Strikers at San  
Francisco—Small Firms There Ef-  
fect a Settlement.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—The storm  
centers of the general strike of ma-  
chinists throughout the country today  
are in the vicinity of Cincinnati, Ohio,  
and on the Pacific coast. The number  
of firms that have signed agreements  
was augmented today by about a hun-  
dred which brings the aggregate of  
the estimates making the concessions  
at 1000 in round numbers during the  
past three or four days. Save in one  
or two instances as at Scranton, the  
affiliated trades have not yet been af-  
fected. It is claimed at the general head-  
quarters of the machinists, however,  
that where agreements are not effect-  
ed by this afternoon or tomorrow  
morning, many men in the allied trades  
will go out in the individual shops  
where the machinists already are out.  
The estimate of President O'Connell,  
of the National Association of Machin-  
ists, as to the number of strikers today  
reports approximately the same figure  
yesterday, 50,000. The execu-  
tive board is in session here watching  
the progress of the strike.

President O'Connell said this morn-  
ing: "The reports from all sections  
are very favorable. The indications  
are that the great majority of firms  
will have reached agreements with the  
men today or tomorrow. The dis-  
patches coming in from various cities  
indicate that conferences will be held  
today with a large number of firms.  
Many men who were working yester-  
day went out today. The additions  
made last night and this morning to  
the list of strikers are being adjusted  
with their demands granted will about  
balance each other."

The situation according to reports  
received today at headquarters is sum-  
marized as follows: Practically all  
the trouble between Kansas City and  
the Pacific Coast has been adjusted.  
At Kansas City about 600 men are out  
but a few small firms have signed the  
agreements.

San Francisco reports an almost  
complete tie up. About 6,000 men  
have struck. Agreements have been  
reached, however, with eleven  
firms outside of the Union and Rie-  
son plants and the Fulton Ship-Build-  
ing Company. At Seattle 700 men  
have struck. There are 500 strikers  
at Tacoma. The trouble has been ad-  
justed at most of the other Pacific  
coast points.

At New York about 2,500 men have  
struck. A settlement has been reached  
with the remainder which involves  
about 50 per cent. of the firms. In  
Chicago all but several of the small  
shops have adjusted matters. About  
2,000 men are out in Boston. Many  
men are out in the cities of Cincin-  
nati, Hamilton, Dayton and Alliance.  
In Cincinnati a dozen firms have made  
the concession since Saturday and  
about 2,000 men are out. Alliance  
reports a complete tie up, with 500  
men striking. Only a few men are out  
in Cleveland, practically a general set-  
tlement having been effected there.  
All the firms in Columbus, Ohio, and  
Chicago Heights, Ill., have made  
agreements.

Favorable reports come from the  
South. All the establishments em-  
ploying machinists in Norfolk, Va.,  
have signed agreements. Of the es-  
tablishments in Wilmington, Del., four  
firms have signed agreements, leaving  
about half of the original strikers out.  
There is a complete tie up reported  
at Newburgh, N. Y., all of the 300  
machinists being out, while all of the  
men at the Brooks Locomotive Works  
at Dunkirk, N. Y., have struck. The  
Naugatuck Valley in Connecticut is  
generally affected. All are out at  
Bridgeport, Derby, Ansonia, Water-  
bury, Stamford and New Britain but  
all the firms in Danbury have signed  
agreements. In New Haven eleven  
firms signed yesterday but 600 men  
still are out. About 500 are out at  
Springfield, Mass. In Philadelphia  
about half of the firms have reached  
agreements, leaving 2,500 men approx-  
imately still out. All are striking at  
Elgin, Ill. At Syracuse, N. Y., twelve  
establishments have conceded the de-  
mands.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—The  
strike order issued by the executive  
board of the International Order of  
Machinists goes into effect at 7 o'clock  
tomorrow morning. President O'Con-  
nell said tonight that about 50,000 men  
will be affected. The order instructs  
the men to refuse to go to work in  
all shops where notices granting the

nine-hour work day have not been  
posted at 7 o'clock.

The officers of the association ex-  
pect that in many cases a settlement  
will be reached during tomorrow and  
that the men will return to work dur-  
ing the day or Tuesday morning. Word  
came today that all the firms in St.  
Louis and also all those in New Or-  
leans have acceded to the demands  
of the men. Scattered reports from  
other cities favorable to the men were  
also received. The estimate now is  
that 35 per cent. of the employing  
firms have signed. At least 25,000  
union machinists were working nine  
hours or less when the question was  
taken up by the association.

The 50,000 men who will suspend  
work are scattered all over the coun-  
try. The national settlement will be  
made in most of the Eastern cities,  
but they fear a more prolonged strug-  
gle on the Pacific Coast. The Union  
Iron Works at San Francisco, where  
the battleship Ohio is being built,  
and other large concerns are preparing  
to resist the demand.

CLOSE OF SEASON'S WORK.

Hawaiian Woman's Club Hears Re-  
ports Showing Growth and Progress.  
A number of reports were submitted  
by officers of the Hawaiian Woman's  
Club at its meeting at the home of  
Mrs. W. F. Frear yesterday evening.

From the general tone of the re-  
ports it was evident that the work of  
the club were represented as being in  
first-class condition. The prospects for  
a successful year were equally  
nattering. Reference was made to  
the recently established Hilo branch.  
The organization reported remarkable  
growth in interest as well as mem-  
bership.

Through the secretary, Miss Eliza-  
beth Robinson, the work of the Club  
was thoroughly reviewed. Subjects  
of mutual and national interest have  
been taken up and thoroughly pre-  
sented throughout the past season.

The club's finances were shown to  
be in a healthy state through the  
treasurer's report submitted by Mrs.  
Kahanu.

WANT THE AMERICAN

TROOPS TO REMAIN

Thousands of Chinese Residents of  
Peking Petition General Chaffee  
Not to Withdraw His Soldiers.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—The War  
Department has received from China  
a petition presented to General Chaffee  
by a mass meeting of several thousand  
Chinese assembled in front of the Pro-  
test Marshal in Peking on March 28th  
last, and signed by 5000 Chinese resi-  
dents of that city, praying for the re-  
tention of the American troops.

The petition told of the good work  
performed by the American soldiers  
and of the thousands of homeless peo-  
ple who had been fed by the American  
charity workers. Captain John T. Til-  
son, Fourteenth Infantry, the Provost  
Marshal, in replying to the petition,  
said:

"It is needless to tell you that the  
United States does not maintain an  
army for the purpose of furnishing the  
city of Peking with good municipal  
government, and as a business propo-  
sition your appeal for the United  
States forces to remain longer in Pe-  
king has little to stand upon.  
"That you need our protection there  
is little doubt, and as the broader  
principles of humanity most frequent-  
ly sway the people of any country  
your petition is not hopeless and I  
shall be glad to refer it to our Gov-  
ernment."

"Whatever the result of your pe-  
tition, whether we stay or go, it may  
be gratifying to you to know that the  
soldiers of the United States who, by  
force of circumstances, came to China  
as your enemies, are now your friends  
and we hope that this friendship may  
endure."

LONDON, May 21.—The govern-  
ment was questioned in the House of  
Commons on the subject of the peti-  
tion on board that vessel were fatally  
shot by Germans guarding a bridge  
over the tug had fouled it. Under  
Foreign Secretary Lord Cranborne, in  
reply, said Field Marshal von Walder-  
see had expressed his regret and had  
promised to take measures to prevent  
the recurrence of similar incidents.

NEWS OF THE TOWN.

The Zealandia sails at 10 o'clock  
tonight, the mail closing at 9.

The Catholic Benevolent Society  
met at the Mission last night and re-  
viewed its monthly affairs.

The Elks had a meeting last night  
which lasted until midnight. Six or  
seven candidates were initiated.  
Nothing would be given out for pub-  
lication regarding the lodge business.

Jerome B. Fisher, Supreme Ruler of  
the Elks, on his return home to  
Jamestown, N. Y., gave the Journal  
of that city an account of his travels,  
wherein he placed Honolulu beyond  
compare with any other place he ever  
visited.

The Fire Claims Commission, being  
sworn into office as reported else-  
where, began receiving claims yester-  
day. Over 200 claim blanks were tak-  
en out in two hours. The first claim  
filed was that of a Japanese who had  
a store destroyed in Nuuanu street  
and placed his damages at \$10,323.

Latest Sugar Quotations.

NEW YORK, May 21.—Sugar: Raw  
firm; fair refining firm; centrifugal,  
36 test, 4 5/8c; Molasses sugar,  
2 1/2c. Refined quiet; crushed, 4.65c;  
powdered, 5.55c; granulated, 5.55c.

## LAUNCHING OF BATTLESHIP OHIO

The War Vessel Glides  
Gracefully Into  
the Water.

OVATION FOR PRESIDENT M'KINLEY

DIN OF WHISTLES AND TUMUL-  
TIOUS CHEERING ANNOUNCE  
SUCCESSFUL EVENT.

Governors from Three States Present

—Belching and Booming Cannon  
Announce President's Coming—  
Miss Barber Releases the Ship.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.—Fortu-  
nately Mrs. McKinley's condition to-  
day permitted the President to attend  
the launching of the battleship Ohio  
from the yards of the Union Iron  
Works. To witness the launching of  
this ship, named in honor of his na-  
tive State, was the real objective of  
the President's long trip across the  
continent, and was the event which  
has attracted to the Pacific Coast the  
Governors of three States, the Ohio  
Congressional delegation, several  
United States Senators and many  
other notable and distinguished peo-  
ple.

Dramatic and picturesque as was  
the sight of 14,000 tons of steel sliding  
into the full-breasted tide of San  
Francisco Bay, it was not so splen-  
did and magnificent as the great naval  
pageant which accompanied it, nor as  
profoundly impressive as the greeting  
extended to the President by the 4,500  
employees of the shipyard.

The cabinet and other distinguished  
guests were already aboard the trans-  
port tug Slocum, which was to convey  
the party to the Union Iron Works,  
two miles up the bay, when he ar-  
rived. The President's flag, an eagle  
and shield on a blue field, was flying  
from the main, and the Union Jack  
was at the bow as he stepped every-  
thing up the gangway to the accom-  
paniment of the cheers of the thou-  
sands who blackened the neighbor-  
ing pier-heads.

An Enthusiastic Greeting.

The little tug threaded her way  
through the holiday fleet of steamers,  
yachts, tugs, barges and every variety  
of water craft jammed about the front  
of the shipyard. Each was black with  
cheering people, and there was hardly  
one of them which did not have a salu-  
tary gun of some sort to add its  
voice to the roar of welcome that  
greeted the President from the dense  
crowd of workmen gathered upon the  
pier. Ashore to the right was a stand  
covered with acres of people, and be-  
yond that a hill alive with them. Up  
the pier a broad aisle of white muslin  
ran through the workmen packed on  
either side. Up this path, arched over  
with flags and banners, one of them  
bearing the inscription, "The Oregon  
Has Made Her Record; Watch the  
Ohio," the President and his party  
moved to a stand where the repre-  
sentative of the 4,500 employees of the  
Union Iron Works in a speech, in  
which he asked a heartfelt blessing  
upon the head of the President and  
expressed tender sympathy for his  
suffering wife, presented the Pres-  
ident as a token of the esteem of the  
workmen with a gold plate engraved  
with a suitable inscription.

The launching platform had been  
enlarged somewhat to admit of the  
seating on the south side of about  
200 people. On the platform there  
was standing room for 150 more. In  
the lower yard a number of seats  
were put in place for guests fortunate  
enough to hold general admission in-  
vitations. To the east of the ways  
were anchored the barges of the Ohio  
Society with seating capacity for 330  
persons.

The Ohio is Christened.

Miss Barber and the President stood  
before the electric appliance which  
controlled the guillotine that was to  
sever the rope which would loosen the  
weight that was to knock out the last  
beam. Miss Barber, with her finger  
on the button, was looking intently at  
the indicator. At 12:22, two and a  
half minutes before the tide was at its  
highest, the time set for the launch-  
ing, there suddenly shot into the face  
of the indicator the word "Ready."  
Miss Barber pressed the button. The  
last block fell away. At the same  
time Miss Deshier, a young lady of 17,  
in a light gown, with her dark hair  
braided down her back in schoolgirl  
fashion, let go of the bottle of cham-  
pagne suspended at the side of the  
bow by a red, white and blue ribbon,  
and as it crashed against the side she  
uttered the words "I christen thee  
Ohio."

Released from its bonds, the heavy  
hull of 14,000 tons of steel went  
ploughing through the thick gases of  
its cradle. Slowly at first, then faster  
and faster, she slid down the ways,  
taking the flood majestically and pil-  
lowing up the water in great waves be-  
fore her. The band played whistles  
blew and the multitude shouted.  
President Reviews Warships.

The trip back to the city was almost

a repetition of the journey to the  
yard. There was the same wild de-  
monstration from sea and shore. But  
on the way back the Slocum passed in  
formal review before the warships.  
The President, with Secretary of the  
Navy Long at this side, stood at the  
wheelhouse during this parade. As  
each warship was passed the jacks  
made a blue hedge about the ship as  
they stood at the rails, shoulder to  
shoulder. The marine guard at  
presented arms, and the President got  
the four trumpet flourishes and drum  
ruffles to which he is entitled as Com-  
mander-in-Chief of the Navy.  
The Ohio visitors at once assem-  
bled at the Palace Hotel, adopted a  
series of resolutions of thanks, and  
presented a loving cup of several hun-  
dred dollars to the Ohio Society in  
recognition of the courtesies extended  
to them during the trip.  
The speech was made by W. F. Burdell  
of Columbus, and the response was by  
General Gleaves of the Ohio Society  
of California.

THE WAR IS ON.

The Police and the Y. M. C. A. to Meet  
in Conflict Upon the Diamond.  
Saturday afternoon the Y. M. C. A.  
base ball team will cross bats with an  
aggregation of ball tossers taken from  
the ranks of the city police. The game  
will take place at the Makiki grounds.  
The association men declare that  
when they conclude business with the  
police they will nevermore wield  
club, not even a "billy." The boys  
around the Central Station on the other  
hand arm with considerable em-  
phasis that they will have the "flower  
of youth" of the Y. M. C. A. in the  
station house before nightfall, or  
cheerfully stand a reduction in their  
salaries by the legislature. The war  
is on. May the umpire do his sworn  
duty.

MEETINGS ARE ARRANGED

FOR VISITING EVANGELIST

There was a large attendance at the  
special meeting for men at Y. M. C.  
A. hall on Sunday, when Wm. Edgar  
Geil, the traveling evangelist, deliv-  
ered a powerful address.

Yesterday evening an enthusiastic  
meeting was held at Central Union  
church, when Mr. Geil spoke particu-  
larly to Christian people by way of  
arousing them to greater efforts for  
the salvation of men. His theme was  
the story of Mary, Martha and Laza-  
rus.

It has been arranged for Mr. Geil  
to hold a series of evangelistic ser-  
vices at Central Union church every  
evening at 7:30. Every afternoon at  
4 o'clock he will give a Bible lecture.  
Everybody is welcomed to these meet-  
ings.

MANY BOERS CAPTURED.

General Blood Makes a Successful

Raid in Northern Transvaal.

NEW YORK, May 18.—A cable to  
the Sun from Cape Town says: Gen-  
eral Bindon Blood has just concluded  
a successful concerted movement  
against the Boers in Northern Trans-  
vaal. The British columns engaged  
in the operations covered a wide area,  
routing all commands that opposed  
them and capturing 1000 Boers and  
great quantities of supplies, stock  
and wagons in the various districts.  
General Blood conducted operations in  
the center, with Colonel Plumer on his  
left flank and General Kitchener on  
his right.

The Boer commander, General Ben  
Viljoen, abandoned everything, but  
succeeded in making his escape with  
a few mounted men. The Boers did  
not make a stand at any point.

The report from Durban that a com-  
pany with £7,000,000 capital has ap-  
proached the Natal Government for  
permission to construct a direct trunk  
line from Durban to Johannesburg by  
tunneling through the hills is confir-  
med. If the scheme goes through, the  
Rand will be only twelve hours' jour-  
ney from the coast.

LONDON, May 18.—The Pretoria  
correspondent of the Times, wiring  
Thursday, reports greatly improved  
prospects for the winter campaign.  
The numerous surrenders of the  
Boers are a healthy sign, he says,  
an unbroken as yet to see a clear day  
for the close of hostilities, but one  
may be more hopeful, especially if the  
results of the coming action resem-  
bles those of the past month.

Honors for the Victors.

The names of the victorious basket  
ball team of the Y. M. C. A. are to  
be perpetuated. Physical director  
Coats has received a beautiful wooden  
banner, made of rich dark brown  
woods, gilt lettered and decorated in  
blue. The following names are in-  
scribed thereon: F. C. Atherton, M.  
A. Cheek, E. B. Clark, G. S. Water-  
house, A. T. Brock, C. H. Cooke,  
G. G. Fuller, P. McCortright and A.  
Waterhouse. They comprise the  
championship team. The banner will  
be placed in a prominent position in  
the Association gymnasium. A simi-  
lar decoration will be made for the  
basket ball players within a short  
time.

Tobacco Growers Protest.

NEW YORK, May 21.—The tobacco  
workers in Pinar del Rio province,  
says a Tribune dispatch from Havana,  
are deluging Quesada and other mem-  
bers of the Cuban constitutional con-  
vention with protests against the re-  
ported intention of the War Depart-  
ment to admit Porto Rican tobacco to  
Cuba. Protests will be forwarded to  
Washington and also laid before the  
Havana commission which is revising  
the tariff.

## MYSTERIOUS CLIENT COMES INTO COURT

Thurston Unveils the  
Oracle and Makes  
Him Speak.

SUMMONED BY WIRELESS MESSAGE

JACOB COERPER, THE RAILROAD  
PROMOTER, SAYS MEMBERS  
ASKED BRIBES.

Chief Justice Frear Postpones the

Hearing of Thurston's Habeas  
Corpus Case on Account of Impor-  
tant Matters in Supreme Court.

Yesterday was return day before the  
Supreme Court for the writ of habeas  
corpus under which L. A. Thurston  
was prevented from going to prison  
on Wednesday last. It will be remem-  
bered he was fined \$100 for contempt  
of court in refusing to tell the Grand  
Jury the name of a client who, as he  
had testified, told him of members of  
the Legislature offering to be bribed,  
and sentenced to be imprisoned until  
he expressed a willingness to give the  
required testimony.

Chief Justice Frear, presiding, at  
the opening of proceedings stated his  
desire that the hearing go over until  
Wednesday morning, "on account of  
certain important matters demanding  
the early attention of the Supreme  
Court."

F. E. Thompson, for the order in  
contempt, had no objection to offer.

A. S. Hartwell, petitioner said  
the petitioner was anxious to have  
his case determined without delay. If  
the matters alluded to by the Chief  
Justice were not of the utmost im-  
portance, he would not consent to a  
postponement. Mr. Ballou followed  
in similar strain.

Attorney General E. P. Dole made  
a speech, the point of which was that,  
owing to events occurred and sym-  
pathies aroused the past few days,  
he desired to appear for the order of  
the lower court, in Mr. Thompson,  
whom he had asked to represent the  
order, the order had representation that  
should be satisfactory all round.

General Hartwell, while endorsing  
the remarks about Mr. Thompson,  
questioned the mention of sympathy  
in the matter. The petition calling in  
question the legality of the Grand  
Jury and the sacredness of relations  
between counsel and client presented  
impersonal subjects.

The Attorney General confessed he  
had used the word sympathy inadver-  
tently, but the events of the past few  
days had impressed him in such a way  
that, in the forum of his conscience,  
he could neither excuse nor justify  
his appearance in the case.

The court ordered the case over to  
Wednesday.

L. A. Thurston divulged the name  
of his hitherto mysterious client in a  
letter to the Star yesterday afternoon,  
covering an affidavit from that per-  
sonage. The latter proves to be  
Jacob Coerper, one of the promoters  
of a railroad through Kona and Kau-  
ai, Island of Hawaii. Mr. Thurston, after  
being cited for contempt, sent a wire-  
less telegraph message to Mr. Coerper  
urging him to come up in the steam-  
ship Kinan. He does not say whether this  
urgent request was before or since  
his being sentenced.

Mr. Coerper in his affidavit tells of  
having separately solicited six or  
seven members of the House for sup-  
port of his railroad franchise bill,  
which had passed the Senate. He al-  
leges that three of the Representatives  
wanted \$1000 each for their sup-  
port, and went away sorrowful when  
he told them he had nothing to offer.

Mr. Coerper appeared before the  
Grand Jury yesterday afternoon. His  
examination was protracted, the ses-  
sion not concluding until 4:30 o'clock.

A. P. Taylor, reporter of the Adver-  
tiser, was awaiting his call before the  
Grand Jury all the afternoon, but it  
did not come. He was served with a  
subpoena on the Island of Maui short-  
ly before the sailing of the Kinan  
thence on her home trip.

AND STILL THE FLOOD

OF PORTO RICANS CONTINUES

SAN JUAN DE PORTO RICO, May

21.—Nine hundred emigrants embark-  
ed on the steamer Californian at Gu-  
nilla for Hawaii today, leaving 400  
more ready to sail. Joyous manifesta-  
tions accompanied the departure of  
the emigrants. Fourteen weddings  
and forty-eight baptisms took place  
Sunday. The emigration agents are  
spending it, it is estimated, about \$10-  
000 in recruiting and maintaining the  
emigrants. Favorable reports from  
Hawaii have caused a continuation of  
the migration.

Withdrawing from China.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—The  
Postoffice Department today called in-  
structions to China directing all its  
representatives in the military postal  
service there to leave on the first

available transport. H. M. Robert, of  
Atlanta, Superintendent of the service  
there, has been assigned to duty in the  
Philippines but all the others will re-  
turn to the points whence they were  
assigned to China. This marks the  
close of the United States military  
postal service in China.

THE FIBRE INDUSTRY.

Prospects of Hawaiian Fibre Com-  
pany are Promising.

At the annual meeting of the Ha-  
waiian Fibre Co., held at the office of  
its president yesterday, the board of  
directors was re-elected as follows:  
Cecil Brown, president.  
M. F. Robinson, vice president.  
W. C. Weedon, secretary-treasurer.  
W. G. Ashley, auditor.

Mr. Weedon and A. H. Turner, man-  
ager, were authorized and commis-  
sioned to purchase machinery on the  
mainland, to be sent out and set up  
this fall for treating the flourishing  
crop of sisal covering 145 acres of  
land. They will investigate a deco-  
rating machine lately produced at  
Baltimore, reputed as very simple and  
very successful in operation.

The company is in good financial  
condition. At the beginning of its  
past year it was \$1900 in debt. Now,  
with but 80 per cent. of the capital  
called in, it is about \$350 ahead, its  
plantation is situated a couple of  
miles beyond Ewa sugar plantation.  
Six hundred acres of ground is cleared.  
More than three miles of rough  
wagon road is constructed. An ex-  
tensive mileage of stone fence has  
been built. There are a quarter of a  
million plants of sisal set out.

While the company figured on the  
fibre product paying at 3 1/2 cents, it  
has been offered on its samples 6 1/2  
cents in New York.

Mr. Weedon, on his contemplated  
trip, will attend the International  
Convention of Y. M. C. A.'s at Boston  
as an accredited delegate from the Ho-  
nolulu association he being as well a  
member of the International Commit-  
tee. He will of course look in at the  
Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo  
and visit his former home at Cleve-  
land, O.

MRS. M'KINLEY WELL

ON THE ROAD TO RECOVERY

President Makes No Engagements for

the Future—Passed a Quiet Night

May 21.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 21.—The  
President's wife is on the road to re-  
covery and the intense alarm as to  
her condition has subsided. In the  
past forty-eight hours Mrs. McKinley  
has gained steadily in strength and  
present indications are that it is only  
a matter of days when the chief ex-  
ecutive may start for the East with  
his wife, although it is, of course, im-  
possible to set any day for his depart-  
ure, as everything depends on his  
wife's recovery. During the time that  
the President remains in this city  
he will endeavor to attend a few pub-  
lic functions, his movements being  
subject to the condition of Mrs. McKinley.

Mrs. McKinley spent a most com-  
fortable day yesterday, and the Pres-  
ident expressed his gratitude at the  
favorable change in his wife's con-  
dition. When the physicians called at  
8:30 a. m. they found that their pa-  
tient had enjoyed a good night's rest  
and informed the President that her  
progress was most satisfactory. The  
doctors remained for an hour.

Secretary of the Star said last night  
that nothing definite could be said as  
to the President making any engage-  
ments for the future.

"Mrs. McKinley's physicians report  
that she has had the best night since  
her illness and that her progress is  
very satisfactory."

MILNER IN ENGLAND.

Will be Received at Marlborough

House by the King.

NEW YORK, May 21.—Dealing with  
rumors about the near approach of  
Sir Alfred Milner to English shores,  
the London correspondent of the  
Tribune says: "The alternate gossip  
alternately raise him to the peerage  
and supersede him as high commis-  
sioner of South Africa. Some more  
imaginative marplots even persist in  
electing Mr. Chamberlain from the  
Colonial Office and substituting Sir  
Alfred for him. All these rumors  
are idle tales. Sir Alfred Milner can-  
not be allowed to return to London for  
a conference with Mr. Chamberlain  
without a demonstration of royal ap-  
preciation and public approval. He is  
not likely to retire from Marlborough  
House without a decoration of some  
kind and the peerage will be a natu-  
ral reward for services which have  
been more arduous than those of any  
predecessor. Nothing is known about  
the King's purposes beyond the ex-  
ceptional distinction of welcoming  
him at Marlborough House as soon as  
he arrives in London."

"Rumors relating to his permanent  
retirement from South Africa or ac-  
ceptance of office in the Salisbury  
cabinet are highly improbable. Some  
of the recent appointments in South  
Africa have been unfortunate and  
there is an immense mass of detail  
respecting the reconstruction policy,  
which Mr. Chamberlain and he will  
need to go over together. His visit  
will be well-timed if it enables the  
two statesmen most familiar with  
South Africa to prevent the exploita-  
tion of the new colonies by monopo-  
lists and mine owning millionaires."

Co. B. N. G. H., Captain Winsant,  
had a satisfactory drill and meeting  
last night.

## SENATORS RESORT TO COMMITTEE WORK

Appropriation Bill in  
Detail Finished  
One Stage.

HEALTH ITEMS 'LEFT IN ABEYANCE

PROBABILITIES FAVORABLE FOR  
REDUCTION IN MILITARY  
EXPENSES.

Items Put Through With a Rush—

Long Report from Health Com-  
mittee—Aid for Various Hospitals  
Withheld for the Present.

The last item in the big Appropria-  
tion bill submitted by the Governor  
passed the Senate shortly before 3  
o'clock yesterday afternoon. The leg-  
islators of the upper house do not con-  
sider that their labors are at an end  
by any means, for there is a large  
amount of work before the various  
standing committees which will take  
considerable time and attention to  
dispose of.

From the standpoint of brevity the  
session took the banner. Remaining  
items were rushed through with  
quickness and dispatch which was  
truly startling. From all outward ap-  
pearances there seemed to be a gen-  
eral understanding as